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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner of  
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Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application filed herewith, please enter the following preliminary amendment:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

In claim 3, line 2, replace "claim 1 or 2" with --claim 1--.

In claim 4, line 2, replace "claim 1, 2 or 3" with --claim 1--.

In claim 8, line 2, replace "claim 1 or 2" with --claim 1--.

**REMARKS**

The above preliminary amendment is made to remove multiple dependencies from claims 3, 4 and 8.

Applicant respectfully requests that the preliminary amendment described herein be entered into the record prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified application.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicant's primary attorney-of record, Curtis B. Hamre, (Reg. No. 29,165), at 612.336.4722.

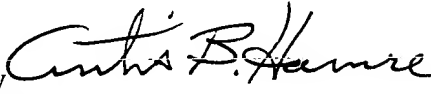
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